# PREDICTIVE MAINTENANCE OF ESSENTIAL MACHINERY: A DATA-DRIVEN APPROACH FOR OIL AND GAS INDUSTRY RESILIENCE

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#### **Opportunity Statement**

A key business problem for Aramco is to optimize the maintenance and performance of its critical assets, such as refinery equipment and machinery. The opportunity lies in implementing predictive maintenance using advanced analytics and machine learning techniques.

#### Rising Cost of Unplanned Downtime

According to Siemens' report in 2023,

- 1. The cost of one hour of downtime has more than doubled from 2021 to 2022 to nearly \$500,000
- 2. Loss of \$1.5 Trillion annually for Fortune Global 500 companies

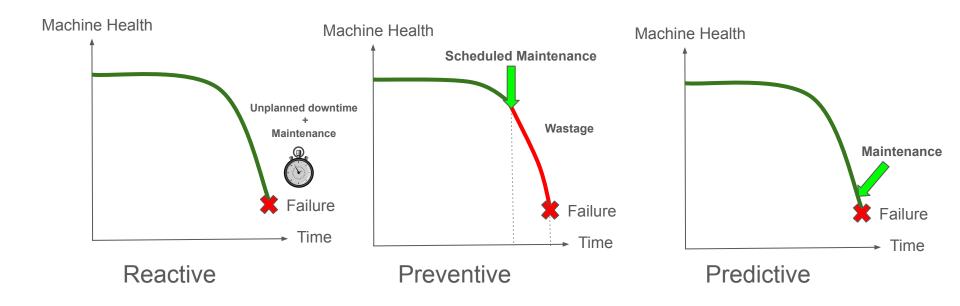
#### Saudi Aramco

Handles 12.8 million barrels of oil equivalent per day,

Unplanned downtime would cause:

- 1. Significant Lost in Profits
- 2. Potential Safety Incidents

#### 3 Solutions to Deal with Machine Failure



## NASA Turbofan Engine Degradation Simulation Data Set

Allows for exploration and modelling of engine degradation patterns

Predict Remaining Useful Life of critical and non-critical machinery

Improve timing of maintenance, avoid unplanned downtime & production disruptions

Increase profitability, reduce safety incidents, and improve overall competitiveness in the industry

#### What is currently being done by others and how can Aramco learn

Corrective Maintenance | "Run to failure"

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High costs and longer turnaround time

**Anomaly Detection** 



Analyse data points
Find outliers or anomalies
Detect them as needs for maintenance

Prognostics and Health Management



Is a predictive maintenance strategy
Forecasting equipment failures by predicting downtimes
Based on data collected and historical trends







# What are some gaps in the current predictive maintenance solutions



Too much data available which might not be compatible



Financial benefits vs costs of implementing sensors



Workforce training



Poor quality of data and need to properly handle missing data

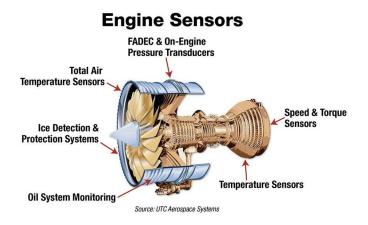
# Modelling of Run-to-Failure Dataset using C-MAPSS

#### Modelling of Run-to-Failure Dataset

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Same engine used under various flight and operational conditions



Sensors are used to collect data on each flight to reflect engine degradation

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Initial wear & tear from manufacturing and transportation of engines



Impact of maintenance work done on engines between flights

#### Remaining Useful Life (RUL)

RUL is used to predict the number of operational cycles an engine can run before failure occurs.



Discern the best time to pause production and conduct maintenance.



Prevents catastrophic failure if maintenance is not done on time.



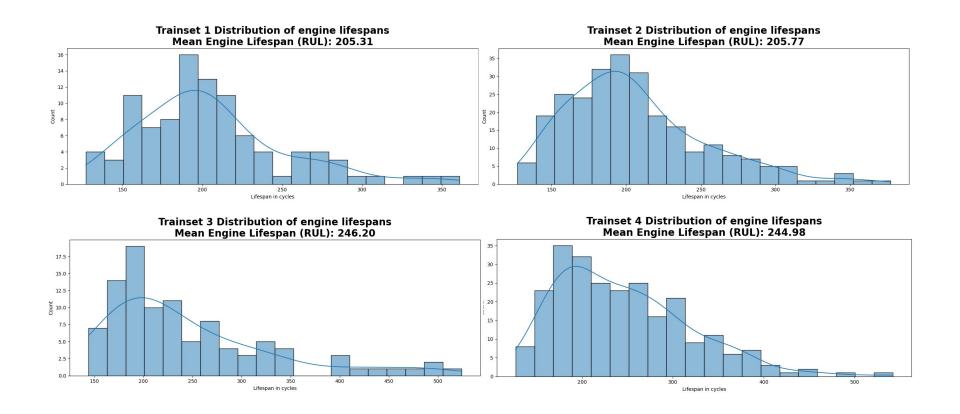
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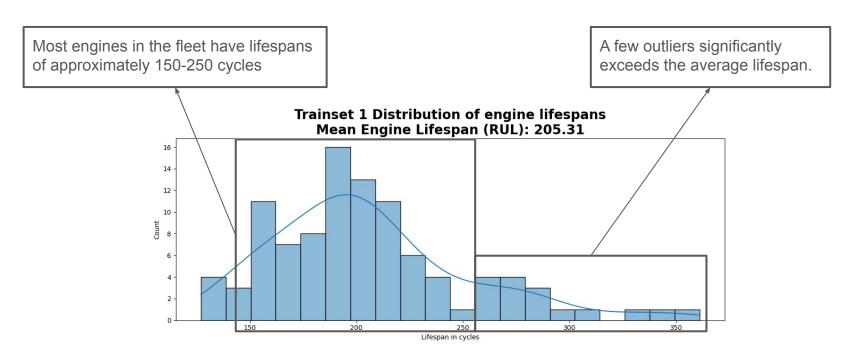
Though each fleet of engines **operates under the same conditions** and are of the **same type**, each engine starts with <u>different degrees of wear and tear</u>, and natural manufacturing variation.



#### RUL: Distribution of Engine Lifespans (Train Set)

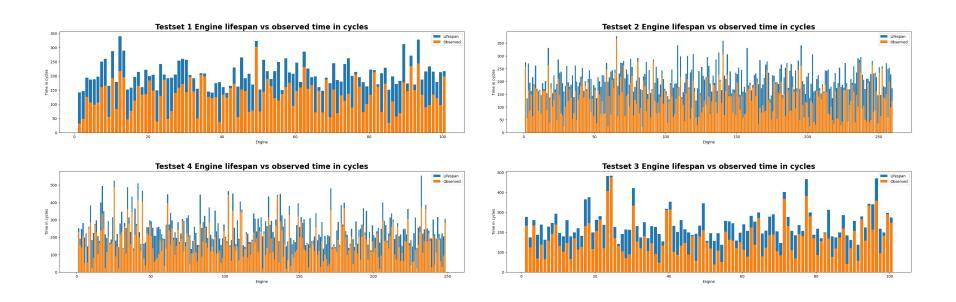


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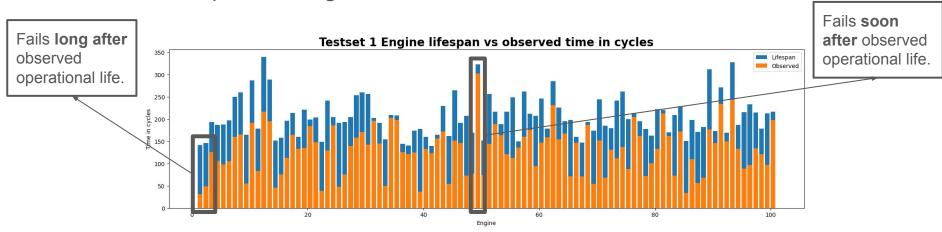
This is a typical distribution for reliability and life data analysis where the engine is subjected to various failure mechanisms, resulting in wide range of life spans.

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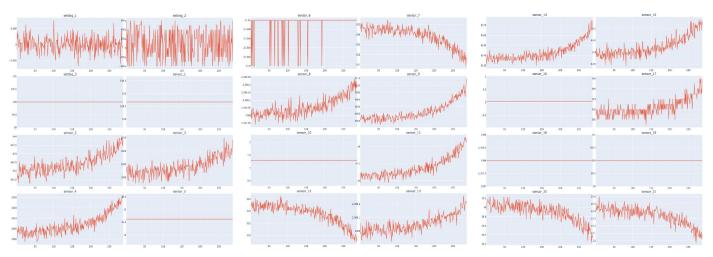
Observed operational life is a proportion of the actual full lifespans of engines.



The test set gives a challenging variety of scenarios where some engines fail soon after we observe them while others fail long after we observe them.

#### Sensor and Setting Data

#### FD001 Training Engine #1

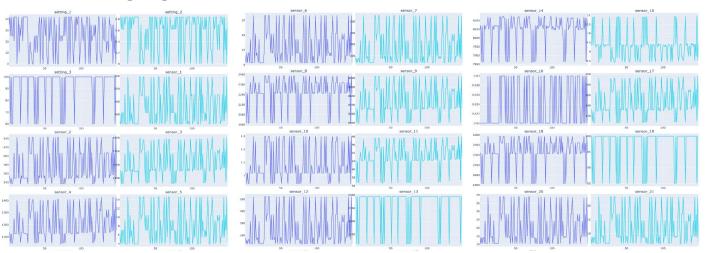


Each engine has 3 operational settings and readings from 21 different sensors. Each data point captures a snapshot of the **engine's performance during a single operational cycle**.

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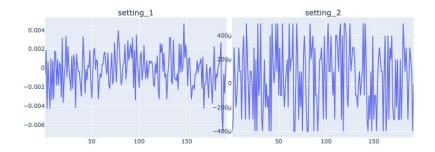
Engine degradation is simulated through changes in operational settings and sensor readings, thus each fleet has significantly different data.

FD002 Training Engine #1

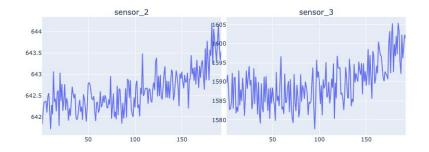


This temporal information constitutes the **independent variables** in our analysis for the **prediction of RUL** of each engine.

#### Settings and Sensor Data



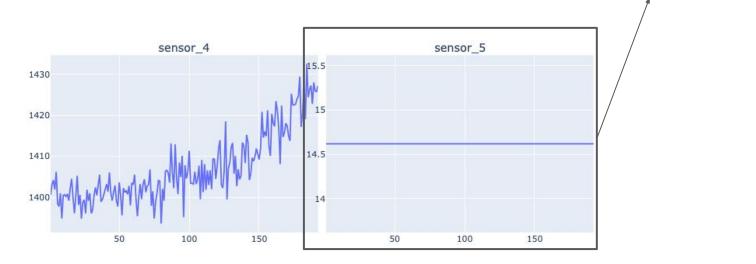
Operational settings are **changed between a fixed range of values**, as expected of setting values.



Sensor values vary around a mean and eventually trend exponentially higher as the engine reaches system failure.

## **Noisy Data**

Reading of sensor 5 remains constant throughout the whole operational life.

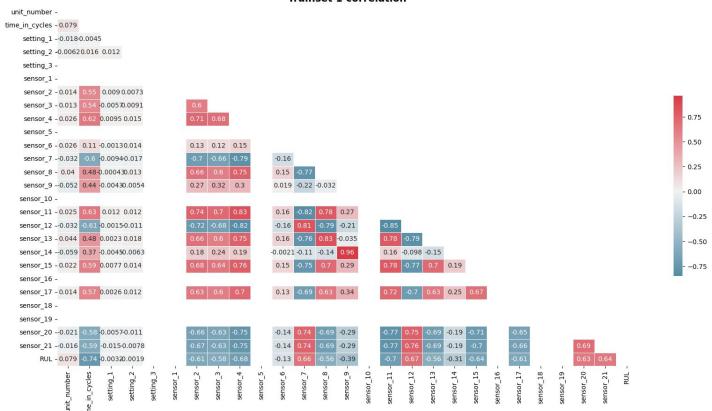


Sensor 5's readings are irrelevant in predicting RUL and can be removed. Other sensor measurements that contain noisy data will be removed too.

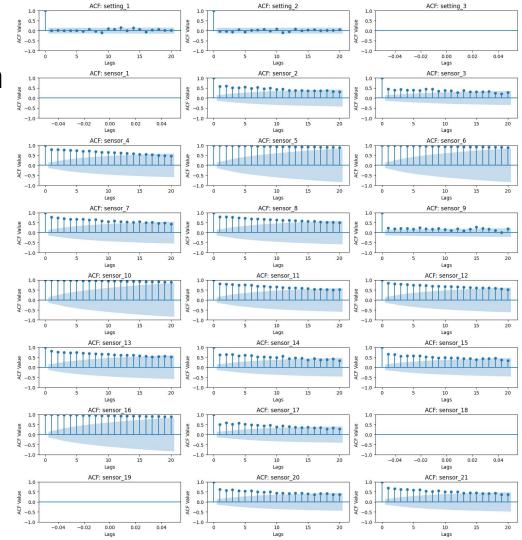
## Feature Engineering & Feature Selection

#### Correlation

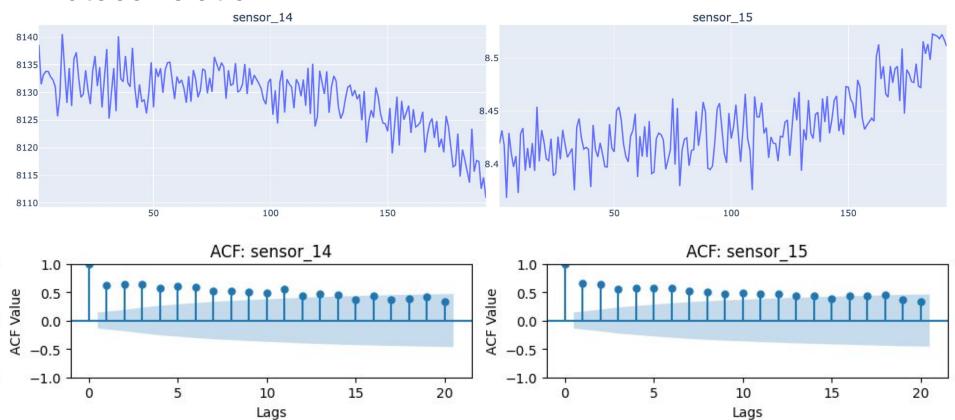




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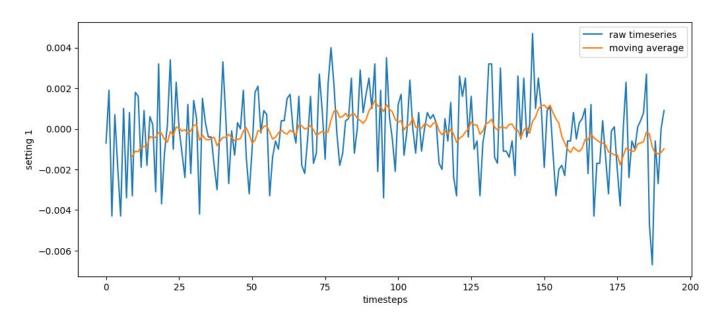


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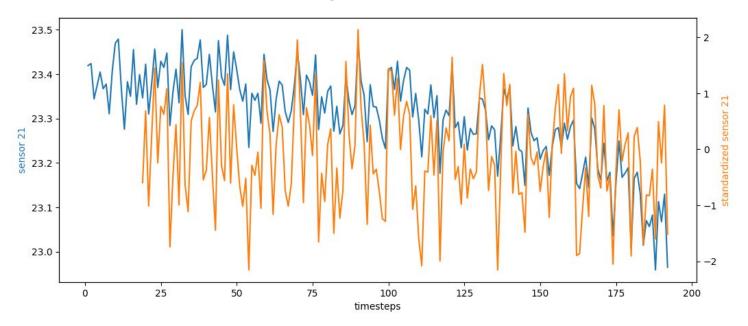
#### Feature Engineering – Temporal Feature Creation

- ACF and PACF plots show that temporal effects are present
- Moving averages can help capture the trend and smooth out noisy time series



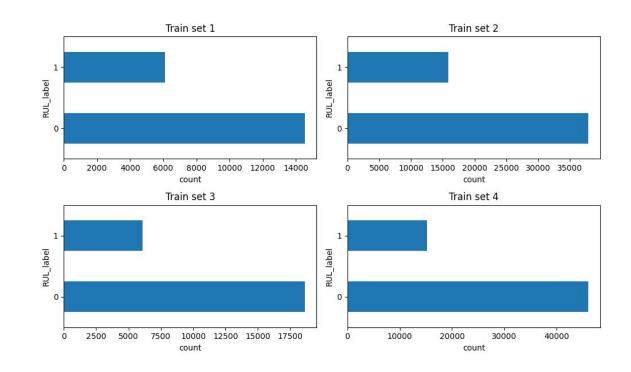
#### Feature Engineering – Standardization

- Prevent models from having a bias towards features with higher magnitude
- Avoid look-ahead bias with rolling z-score



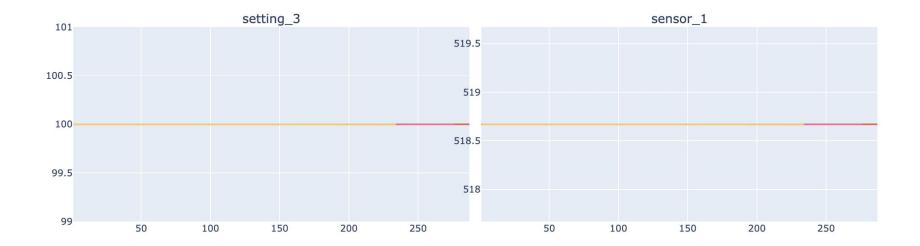
#### Feature Engineering – Classification Labels

- Adding labels for target variables
- 0 for 'no risk', RUL >60
- 1 for 'at risk', RUL <=</li>60
- Unbalanced datasets

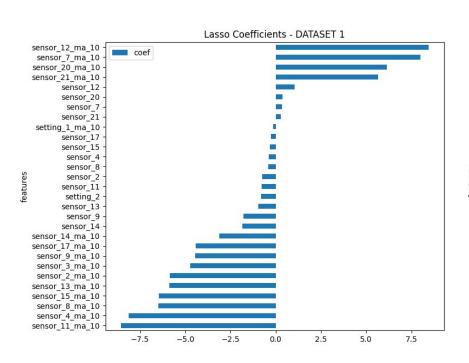


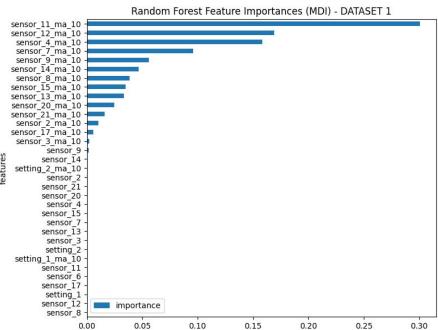
#### Feature Selection – Irrelevant Features Elimination

- Removed any features with constant values



#### **Feature Selection**





## Regression & Classification Models

#### Modelling

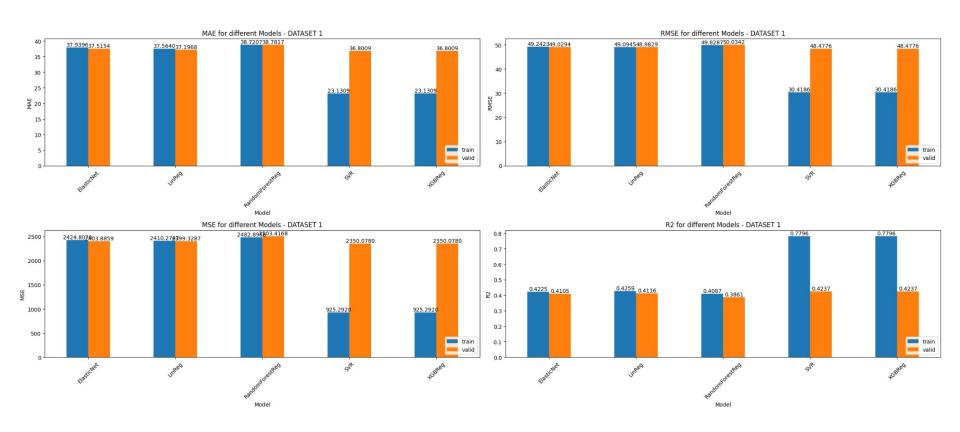
#### Regression Models

- 1. Linear Regression
- 2. Elastic Net
- 3. Random Forest Regressor
- 4. XGBoost Regressor
- 5. Support Vector Regression

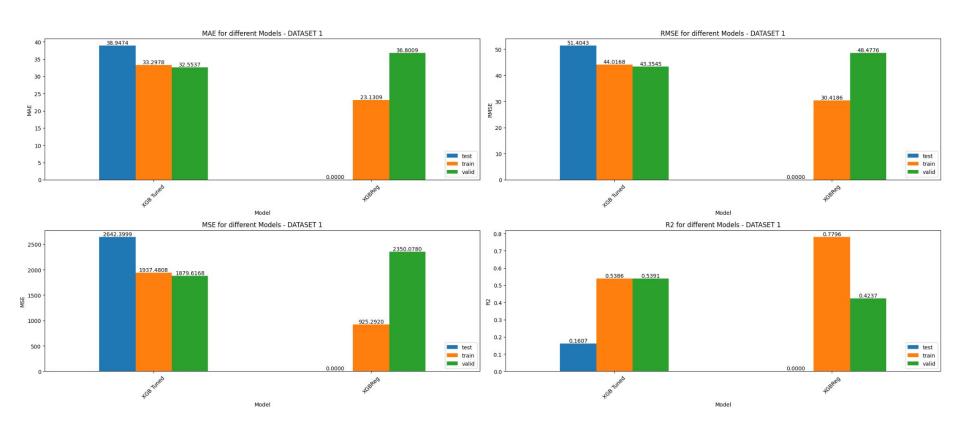
#### **Classification Models**

- 1. Gaussian Naive Bayes
- 2. Decision Trees
- 3. Random Forest Classifier
- 4. XGBoost Classifier
- 5. K-Nearest Neighbors

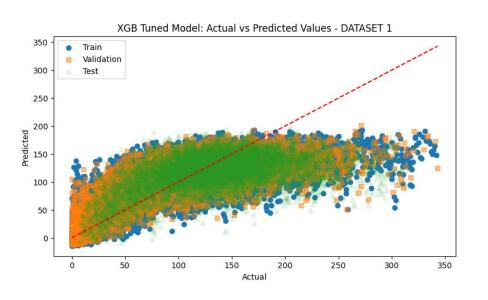
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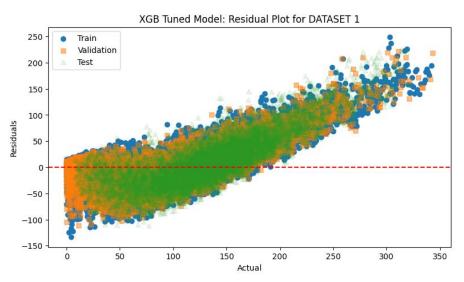


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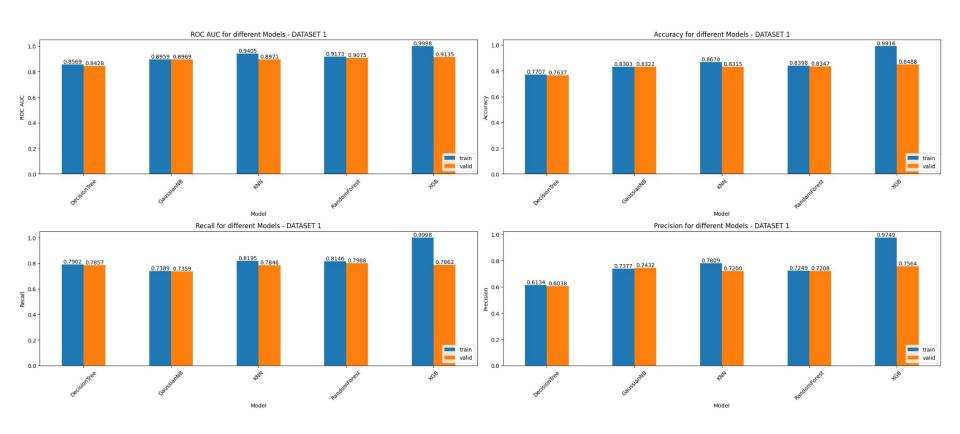


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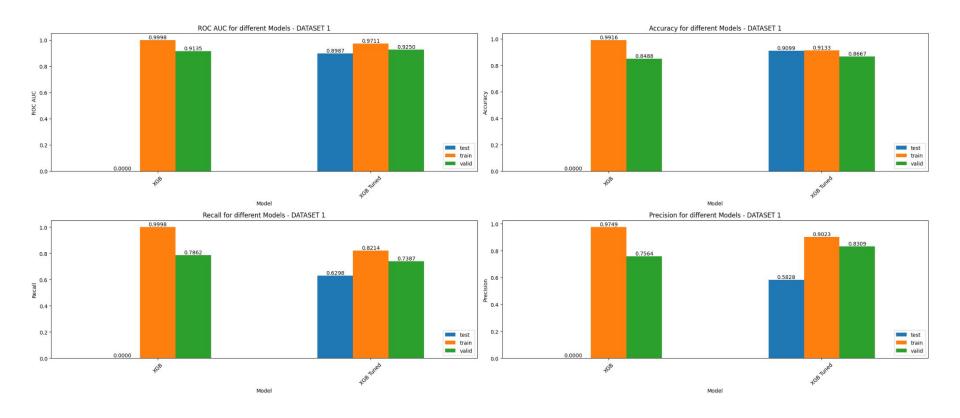




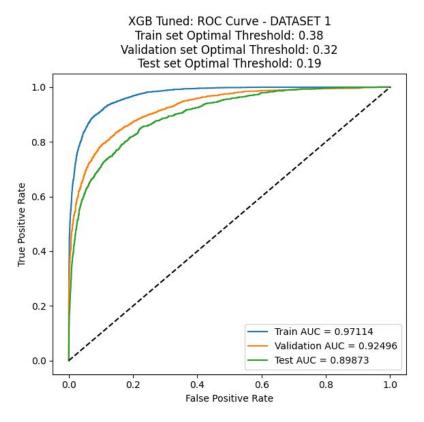
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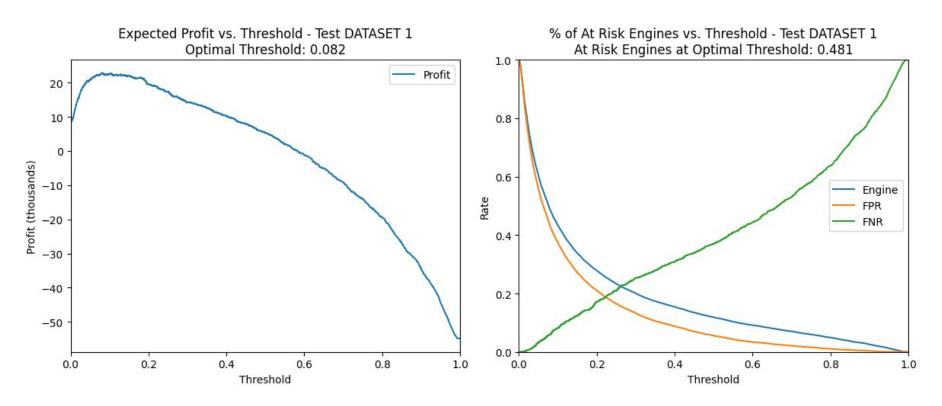
#### **Expected Profit Calculation**

$$Expected\ Profit = P_{p}[TPR * B_{TP} + FNR * C_{FN}] + P_{N}[TNR * B_{TN} + FPR * C_{FP}]$$

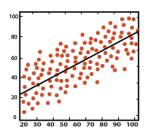
#### Assume:

- TP Benefit = 400k
- TN Benefit = 0
- FN Cost = -500k
- FP Cost = -40k

#### **Expected Profit Calculation**



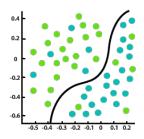
#### Recommendations



**XGBoost Regressor** 

For equipment that requires **precise scheduling of maintenance** due to the greater care they require or their more expensive nature. Aramco can apply this to the following equipments:

- 1. Gas turbines and compressors
- 2. Drilling equipment
- 3. Pipeline monitoring systems



**XGBoost Classifier** 

For the maintenance of less critical equipment, or for maintenance actions that have multiple components, by classifying them as 'at risk' or 'not at risk', **prioritising what actions they should take first** based on general thresholds rather than precise RUL predictions.

## Conclusion